

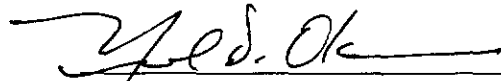
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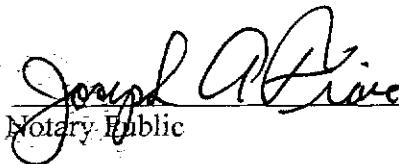
VERIFICATION

I, Neil D. Olson, being first duly sworn according to law, depose and state that I am the Treasurer of Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc.; that I am authorized to and do make this Affidavit of behalf of Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc.; that the facts set forth in the Amended Joint Petition in Docket No. 02-0396 are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and that I expect Verizon North Inc. and Verizon South Inc. to be able to prove the same at any hearing hereof.


Neil D. Olson, Treasurer

Subscribed and sworn to before me
This 3rd day of September, 2002.

By:


Notary Public

My commission expires:

JOSEPH A. FIORE
Notary Public, State of New York
No. 43-6301970
Qualified in Richmond County
Commission Expires August 31, 2006